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Black Lives Matter march held in Ludlow



Turley Publications staff photos by Jonah Snowden re for the Black Lives Matter march

A: Participants gather and prepare for the Black Lives Matter march June 20th.

By Jonah Snowden jsnowden@turley.com

LUDLOW – The deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and many more African Americans who've lost their lives at the hands of law enforcement have sparked many of the recent protests, marches, and the continuation of the social justice movement, Black Lives Matter (BLM).

Last Saturday, June 20th, a BLM march took place on Chapin Street, where Ludlow residents, and volunteers from neighboring areas gathered to march and voice their concerns

and demand justice not just locally, but nationwide.

This march was put together by organizers Disha Patel, Mike Marshall, and Mandi Dorval, who each gave speeches. All organizers held the preparation stage of the march at Ludlow High School until around 11:00 a.m., before delivering speeches, stating the purpose of the march, and heading out to the Ludlow Safety Complex.

Through their experiences growing up in Ludlow, organizers said the black population in Ludlow doesn't get the sup-

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Ludlow Black Lives Matter march organizer Mike Marshall delivering a speech on his experience growing up in Ludlow as someone of African American descent.

Mills improvement district, solar programs at Town Meeting

By Elise Linscott elinscott@turley.com

LUDLOW – Precinct members at the June 22nd town meetings voted on articles approving the new State Street Ludlow Mills Improvement District and three solar pilot programs and voted down a proposed zoning change from agricultural to industrial on Miller Street.

The auditorium at Ludlow High School was limited to precinct members only for the Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting and attendees were required to keep their masks on except when talking into the microphone. There was seating room for the general public with monitors live-streaming the meeting in other areas of the school including the cafeteria and people could enter the auditorium to speak if they wanted, said town meeting moderator Michael Szlosek. The town meetings were held consecutively, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Article 23 in the Special Town Meeting asked voters to define a new State Street Ludlow Mills Improvement District around the mills complex. Articles 22 and 24 created a district improvement financing plan, where the town will borrow \$500,000 that will be repaid through incremental property tax revenues in the district.

"The mills project has been a booming project since its inception," said Board of Selectmen member Derek DeBarge.

Article 20 in the Special Town Meeting garnered the most discussion that evening, including from Miller Street residents and one precinct 3 member who referred to the

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Community Survival Center serves food during pandemic

By Jonah Snowden jsnowden@turley.com

INDIAN ORCHARD – Despite multiple adjustments brought by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Survival Center, established in 1983, is continuing to lend an open hand to those in need.

Mary Cassidy, director of the community center, said this pandemic caused them to temporarily close their thrift shop, which underwrote about 50% of their expenses. Also, their food donations have dropped drastically.

Regardless, they have been able to serve the public through their food pantry, which they now operate on the corner of Cedar Street, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"We have seen several new families since the pandemic," said Cassidy. "People do come sometimes call and ask what they need to bring with them."

Regarding guidelines, Cassidy said recipients of the survival center's food pantry need to either live in Wilbraham, Hampden or in one of the Three Springfield neighborhoods, Indian Orchard, Sixteen Acres, or Pine Point.

"However, senior clients 65 and older can live anywhere in Hampden County," said Cassidy. "Everybody has to be low-income, but during the pandemic the income guidelines were raised."

She also said as an example, for a household of one, the annual income limit is \$31,900, and family of four's limit is \$65,500. More information is available on request by calling the center.

As for how the survival

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Town of Ludlow weekly update

LUDLOW – Important messages from a few boards in our community.

From the Board of Health - As of June 19, we have five new positive COVID-19 cases for a total of 124 cas-

Thank you to Kathy Green, Kay Louden, Kim Jablonski, Gigi Zuchara, Joseph Starcyzk and Verna Charron for your generous donations of masks and/or materials to make masks going towards our "Free Mask Drive" set for June 27.

From the Board of Public Works - A reminder the mandatory Dual Stream Recycling starts July 1st with paper and cardboard and then bottles and cans and glass bottles the following week.

The Board of Assessors would like to inform all residents that apply for personal exemptions such as Veterans, Seniors and Blind that exemption applicaexisting applicants for Fiscal Year 2021. New applicants can contact the Assessors directly at 583-5600 ext. 1220 or email assessors@ludlow.ma.us for further as-

Please remember all Town facilities are still closed to the public until further

The Senior Center would like to remind everyone that while it is closed,

tions will be mailed out after July 1st to they are still there for you if you require services.

> Please be respectful and kind to each other - WEAR YOUR MASK - we all need to comply if we want to keep this disease as isolated as possible. Everyone

Stay Safe, Be Vigilant, God Bless and Take Care of Each Other.

Manuel D. Silva

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Man working on boat cause of Ludlow garage fire

LUDLOW - On June 15th at about 4 p.m., the Ludlow Fire and Police Departments responded to a detached garage fire at 87 Hubbard Street. Neighbors reported the fire to Ludlow Central Dispatch and said that one resident had suffered burns from the fire. He was transported to the hospital by the Wilbraham Fire Department ambulance and later life-flighted to a Boston hospital for treatment.

First arriving firefighters observed a fully involved one-car garage located close to a single-family home at 87 Hubbard Street and a 5-family apartment building at 91-93 Hubbard Street. Damage was largely contained to the garage but both surrounding homes suffered heat damage and the

exterior of the 5-family also sustained fire damage. Crews were able to quickly control the fire and prevent it from spreading to the interior of each of the surrounding buildings. Ludlow police and firefighters evacuated the remaining residents in the five-family home. Ludlow police, off-duty Ludlow firefighters and Wilbraham firefighters assisted at the scene.

Investigators determined that the fire originated inside the garage in the area of a boat that was being worked on at the time of the fire. The fire is considered accidental.

The fire was jointly investigated by member of the Ludlow Fire and Police Departments and State Police assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Hello all! Another week down and we hope that you all are hanging in there. We have a lot of virtual programming scheduled. If you would like to take advantage of these programs, please e-mail Maria Ardolino at activity@ludlow.ma.us or call her at 583-3564. She will send you all the Zoom log in information. If you do not have a computer or internet, you can call in by phone as well. The upcoming schedule is as follows:

- Thurs 25th at 10:00am: Chair yoga with Lisa
- Thurs 25th at 2:00pm: Magic with Lenny
- Fri 25th at 10:00am: Trivia
- Mon 29th at 2:00pm: Join Kerri Mahan as she educates you about "Essential oils and how they can support you"
- Tues 30th at 9:30am: Coffee with Friends – guest visitor, meet the new Police Chief, Chief Valadas

- Tues 30th and at 2:00pm: Play Bingo with us!
- Wed July 1st at 10:00am: *NEW* Boomer Bootcamp
- Wed July 1st at 4:00pm: Yoga with Lisa

We are pleased to announce *limited* transportation will begin on July 6th! Please call 583-3564 for more information. Watch channel 191 for additional programs and information.

Grab and Go Menu

June 30: Tuna Salad Plate July 1: BBQ Chicken

(Happy 4th of July) July 7: Macaroni and Cheese July 9: Potato crunch fish and fries

Reminder: Reservations 24 hours in advance, 60+ and drive up to pick up. More info: 583-3564.

Ludlow Board of Health holding drive-thru free masks event for Ludlow residents

Date: Saturday, June 27th, 2020 (rain date: Saturday, July 11th, 2020)

Time: Noon until 2:00 pm

Where: Ludlow High School parking lot

No getting out of vehicles

Please bring something to prove Ludlow residency (i.e. license, bill, etc.)

Please be patient as you wait in line, it won't be too long.

Please follow instructions of the nurses directing the flow.

One mask per person in each household (one family member can pick up for

their family – all do not need to attend)

Supplies are limited

Correction

A June 17 issue of the Register incorrectly spelled the last name of Matthew Sheaff in an article titled "(Sheaff) honored with Providence Business News' 40 under Forty."

Hampden County Bar Association offers two law school scholarships

The Hampden County Bar Association is now accepting applications for the John F. Moriarty Scholarship and the Colonel Archer B. Battista Veterans Scholarship. The John F. Moriarty Scholarship is available to any Hampden County resident who has been admitted to or is attending a certified law school for the 2020-2021 academic year. Applicants must have been residents of Hampden County for at least five years. The deadline date for the John F. Moriarty Scholarship is July 15, 2020. The Colonel Archer B. Battista Veterans Scholarship is available to any Veteran

with an Honorable Discharge or a current member of the United States Military who has been admitted to or is attending a certified law school in New England for the 2020-2021 year. The deadline for the Colonel Archer B. Battista Veterans Scholarship is July 15, 2020. Both scholarships are based on merit and financial need. Both applications and additional information are available by contacting the Caitlin Glenn at the Hampden County Bar Association at (413) 732-4660, caitlin@hcbar. org or online at https://www.hcbar.org/ about-us/scholarships/





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Senator Lesser joins colleagues to pass elections bill for voting safety

BOSTON - Senator Eric P. Tuesday of November, we vote for Lesser joined colleagues in the Senate on June 16th to unanimously pass legislation to expand voter access and address safety for all remaining 2020 elections, including the September 1, 2020 state primary and November 3, 2020 general election, in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Senator Lesser acted as the lead Senate sponsor and authored an amendment that was adopted establishing a mail ballot request online portal for residents. The bill was originally filed in the House by Representative Michael J. Moran, Second Assistant Majority Leader, and Representative John J. Law, co-chair of the Joint Committee on Election Laws, in collaboration with a large coalition of voting-rights organizations.

The bill, An Act relative to voting options in response to COVID-19, would, for the first time in state history, give all eligible residents the opportunity to vote early for the state primary and general election, allow residents to vote-by-mail, and expand absentee ballot access.

"Voting is a sacred constitutional right and we have an obligation to make sure our elections will be conducted safely," said Senator Lesser. "COVID-19 has disrupted our way of life. A lot has changed and a lot has closed, but there is one thing about our society that cannot be canceled. delayed, or changed. On the first

our leaders. Through wars, pandemics, and natural disasters, the American people and the people of Massachusetts vote. That is a sacred right and it is the foundational right on which every right depends. This legislation lays out a clear process for making sure the 2020 elections are conducted safely and with maximum participation."

The bill does the following:

Implements an early vote-bymail system: An application to receive an early voting ballot will be mailed to all registered voters by July 15, 2020. The Secretary will then mail another application for the general election in the voter booklet sent out in the fall. Both applications and ballots will be postage paid.

Creates early voting for the primary and expands early voting periods: For the first time in Massachusetts, early voting will be available for the state primary, to take place from Saturday, August 22, 2020 through Friday, August 28, 2020. Early voting for the general election would take place from Tuesday, October 17, 2020 to Friday, October 30, 2020. Early voting hours would vary according to the size of the municipality in order to give voters ample opportunity to participate while not overburdening small towns' election departments. Voters may return their early voting ballot in the mail, in a secure drop box, or

Tasks the Secretary of State with creating an online portal: The bill requires Secretary Galvin's office to create an online portal by October 1, 2020 to make it as easy as possible for people to apply for general election early voting ballots electronically.

Expands absentee voting: The bill provides for absentee voting by any person taking precautions related to COVID-19. Voters may also return absentee ballots via a secure drop box.

Provides tools to assist clerks: Acknowledging the increased burden these options may place on municipalities and clerks, the bill also provides for several accommodations to make the logistics of processing votes easier. The legislation allows for tabulating ballots prior to election day, and it offers pre-addressed envelopes to voters, so their applications go directly to their clerk's office.

Makes in-person voting more efficient: The bill allows municipalities to consolidate polling places and eliminate the check-out table at these locations, allowing for a more efficient process and fewer poll workers. It also expands who is eligible to serve as a poll worker, knowing that many current volunteers are seniors who may feel less comfortable working in public during COVID-19.

The legislation must now be reconciled with the Massachusetts House of Representatives.



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Hubbard Library's Summer Reading Program helps kids with reading skills during critical year

LUDLOW – The Hubbard Library has hosted a summer reading program for kids and teens for decades, but this year is different.

Every public library in the country hosts these programs because they know that if kids don't read regularly during the summer months they're likely to experience Summer Literacy Loss, a phenomena where some of the reading skills students learned during the school year will diminish or be lost, and their reading levels will go down due to lack of practice.

The "Summer Slide," as it's more informally known, has been studied since the 1980s, and summer reading programs have regularly been found to be an effective antidote to the problem. Ludlow youth have participated in the Hubbard Library's program by the hundreds every year; according to Head of Youth Services July Siebecker, between 500-800 preschoolers, youth and teens have signed up every summer during the 24 years she's been running the program.

Siebecker looks at this year differently, however; "Because of COVID-19, this is the most important year of my career to keep youth reading during the summer." She notes that despite the great efforts by Ludlow teachers, it is inevitable that three months of remote learning have already resulted in a learning loss for students. The "COVID-19 Slide" has already lasted longer than any summer vacation, and Siebecker worries that if students add the summer months onto that, the effects of nearly half a year of sliding could be serious.

Siebecker sites the flexible, easy structure of the library's reading program and the incentive of prizes as reasons why it's worked well for so many youth in the past. "In terms of maintaining reading skills, the most important thing isn't what kids read but just that they spend time doing it regularly during the summer. Even rereading books or choosing books that are below their reading level will help kids more than if they

don't read regularly." The program creates a loose structure for daily reading but allows participants to pick their own daily reading goal (starting at 20 minutes for proficient readers), allows parents the option of choosing a timed goal or a perbook goal for beginning readers, and is even open to preschoolers and children who will be read to by an adult or an older child. There is a Grand Prize raffle on September 1st into which participants will be entered if they complete at least 6 weeks (42 days) of reading and return their reading logs to the library by August 31st (see reading log on page *). The 12 grand prizes are baskets or bags of toys, books, games and collectibles related to popular themes, many of which have been donated by local residents and businesses: an Arts & Crafts basket, a Board Games bag, a Harry Potter basket, a Glam basket, a Magic Tricks basket, a Marvel bag, a Narnia basket, a Princesses bag, a Starbucks Basket, a Star Wars bag, a Snack Basket from

Randall's Farm, and a Unicorns bag. Siebecker notes that the grand prizes appeal to a wide age range, with some geared towards younger participants and others that will be of interested to teens. In addition, every participant who finishes the program and hands in their reading log will receive an envelope of prizes for their efforts.

Recognizing that some students would rather participate digitally, the Youth Room also has a companion online program, which offers participants a chance to win raffle tickets by completing challenges related to books, reading, and the library, which students can sign up for at https://hubbardlibrary.beanstack.org/

While the Hubbard Library is not yet open to the public, Siebecker hopes families will take advantage of their curbside service to check out books for summer reading, but states that "any book from anywhere is fine, as long as they're reading!"

American Red Cross has urgent need for blood donations

REGION - The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood donations to prevent another blood shortage as hospitals resume surgical procedures and patient treatments that were temporarily paused earlier this spring in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Healthy individuals who are feeling well are asked to make an appointment to donate in the weeks and months ahead by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Amazon Echo device.

In recent weeks, hospital demand for blood products has grown by 30 percent

after sharply declining in early April amid this rapidly changing and complex public health crisis. At the same time, blood drives continue to be canceled as many businesses and community organizations remain closed. Donors are needed to make and keep scheduled appointments to help meet the current need.

The Red Cross reminds donors that red blood cells must be transfused within 42 days of donation and platelets within just five days. So, they must constantly be replenished. There is no known end date in this fight against coronavirus, and the Red Cross urgently needs the help of donors and blood drive hosts to ensure blood products are readily available for patients.

Those looking to donate may do so daily at the Springfield Blood Donation Center, 150 Brookdale Drive in Springfield, at various times. More information is available at RedCrossBlood.org.

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at Red-CrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. For more information, visit redcross.org.

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article's request for a zoning change at 347 Miller St. from Agricultural to Industrial A "a spot change."

"They're looking to split this piece up, leaving a portion of it still agricultural and changing it to industrial with access through a residential area, it doesn't make sense," he said. "When we typically see a spot zone change like this, it's a lifelong change. I ask you to vote no on this change."

Article 16 approved adopting an act relative to more benefits for certain veterans, including Gold Star Families.

Many of the Annual Town Meeting's

12 and Special Town Meeting's 27 warrant items were standard fiscal items. Several articles in the Special Town Meeting approved easements for utilities at the new senior center and Harris Brook Elementary School sites. There was no discussion on any articles during the Annual Town Meeting.

There were 73 precinct members present at the start of the Annual Town Meeting, Szlosek said. At a Board of Selectmen meeting that started at 6:30, an hour before the Annual Town Meeting, board members lowered the quorum for both town meetings from 58 to 29 precinct members.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ludlow Recreation Department is taking applications for our Whitney Summer Program beginning June 10th – June 26th (or we reach capacity). The applications are available at Whitney Park, Monday-Friday, 6:00am-1:00pm. This program is for Ludlow resident children only.

Parents need to bring 2 proofs of residency (license & anything with your name & address on it), a current copy of each child's shot records and payment is cash or money order (no personal checks accepted).

The fees for the program are:

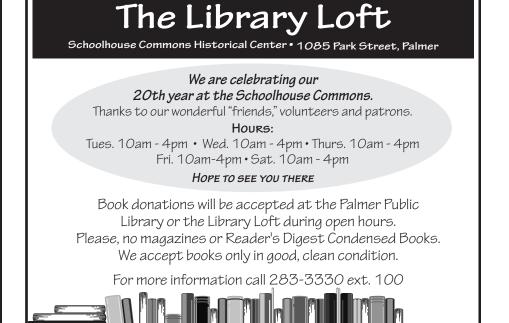
1st child \$385.00

2nd child \$335.00 Any additional child \$305.00

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Recreation Office at 413-583-8856 or by e-mail: recreation@ludlow.ma.us

We are in the process of creating the guidelines for the summer program and the pool. The summer program guidelines (in place as of now) will be given at time of registration and the pool guidelines will be posted in the Register in the next couple of weeks. As this pandemic continues, rules & guidelines are subject to change at any time.

Have a great summer! Stay safe!



Big E special drive-through favorite fair foods event June 27 and 28

Eastern States Exposition introduces A Taste of The Big E – a drive-through event that previews eleven of the Fair's favorite food vendors and their offerings, including the iconic Big E Cream Puff and more Saturday, June 27 from 10 a.m. to 7p.m. and Sunday, June 28 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"It brings me great pleasure to welcome guests to our grounds, and provide a sample of their favorite Big E foods at this unique event," ESE president and CEO Gene Cassidy said. "It is our hope that people will come from far and wide to get a taste of what's to come in September at the Fair."

There is no entry fee and drivers will enter the grounds at Gate 9 and be directed by parking staff to follow a designated path to New England Avenue. Food stands will be set up on each side of the road and vehicles will enter single file.

Guests will be able to order, pay and pick up their food before moving forward to the next two stands. Vendors will work quickly to take orders, process cash and credit card payments and deliver food to the vehicles.

Guests will be asked to remain in their vehicles at all times and wear face masks or coverings when ordering and accepting food from vendors.

E Cream Puff Mobile Bakery, situated on the Court of Honor. This marks the first time in the bakery's history that Big E Cream Puffs and Big Eclairs will be available outside of the Fair. Guests will then be directed to exit the grounds via Gate 2 onto Memorial Avenue.

Menus and more information can be found at www.TheBigE. com/TasteOfTheBigE.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the West Springfield Parish Cupboard. Founded in 1986 by Parish Associations of local Protestant and Catholic Churches, the Cupboard has been helping the less fortunate members of West Springfield and Agawam for more than thirty years. Through financial contributions and food donations, The Parish Cupboard has been able to help thousands of citizens throughout the decades. Visit www.parishcupboard.com for more informa-

What: A Taste of The Big E When: Saturday, June 27 from 10am-7pm and Sunday, June 28 from 10am-

Eastern Where: States Exposition Fairgrounds

Tickets: There is no entry fee for this event.

The Big E takes place Sept. 18 - Oct. 4 in West Springfield, Mass., and will be jam-packed with food, entertainment, and so much more! Visit The-BigE.com to sign up for emails and connect on social media to be the first to get exclusive information. Join us at #BigEMoments.

The final stop will be The Big

A Taste of the Big E vendors and menu highlights:

The Big E Bakery

- Cream Puff or Eclair 3-Pack for \$14
- · Cream Puff or Eclair 6-Pack for \$25
- Chocolate Ganache on Cream Puffs - Add \$1 per pack

Big Kahuna

- Gyro Bowls or Salads \$12
- Greek Gyros \$10
- Chicken Gyros/Pita \$10

Billie's Baked Potato

• Billie's Special, Broccoli & Cheese or Chili & Cheese - \$7 (Small charge for additional toppings or sour cream on pota-

Brew Garden Pub Food

- Chicken & Waffles or Pork Please Grilled Cheese - \$11
- Tossed & Sauced Tenders with fries or Plain Chicken Tenders with fries - \$9

- Four Cheese Grilled Cheese or Sweet & Tart Grilled Cheese - \$9 **Butcher Boys**
- Steak Sandwich \$11
- Italian Sausage Grinder \$10 Calabrese Market
- Cotton Candy or Caramel Apples - \$5
- Candy Apple \$4
- Popcorn Small \$3 and Large \$5

Chompers

• Bacon Cheeseburger, Chicken Parm or Taco Chompers - 5 balls for \$10 (no mixing)

Cinnamon Saloon

- Cinnamon Buns \$6 each or 4-pack for \$18
- Smoothies Small \$6 and Large \$8
- Chocolate Covered Cheesecake - \$7
- Chocolate Covered Bananas -
- Hot Coffee \$3, Ice Coffee \$4 or Lattes for \$5

Piche's Concessions

- · Beignets, Funnel Cake, Fried Dough, Fried Oreos, Fried Reese or Fried Snickers - \$8 each
- Toppings: Strawberry, Chocolate and Caramel - \$2

Poppie's

- Fresh Lemonade Small \$4 and Large \$7
- Corn Dogs Plain, Cheeseburger, Bacon or Jalapeno - \$6
- Frozen Lemonade, Iced Coffee or Fresh Brewed Iced Tea - \$4 each **Tots-A-Lot**
- "TOT" chos \$9
- Loaded Tots or Pizza Tots \$8
- Buffalo Tots \$7

In addition to menu items mentioned above, many vendors will also offer soda, water and some additional sides. All vendors will accept cash or credit card payment.

The Hubbard Memorial Library Youth Room's SUMMER READING PROGRAM LOGBOOK

Please clip and use to have your preschooler, elementary school-aged child, or teen participate by reading daily during the summer. For independent readers, pick a reading goal of at least 20 minutes, for beginning readers pick at least 10 minutes or a number of books a day, for children not yet reading on their own or mostly being read to try to read to them for at least 15 minutes a day. Mark each day they read; leave any days they don't read blank. When they reach at least 42 days (a total of six weeks), return this form to the Library if it's open, put it in the Book Drop if they're not (& it is) take a picture of the completed chart & email it to hubbardyouthroom@gmail.com, or mail it

to: Hubbard Memorial Library attn. Youth Room * 24 Center St. * Ludlow MA 01056 All youth who complete the program will get an envelope of prizes and 12 raffle tickets towards the 12 grand prize baskets (prize details are at www.hubbard library.org). Write which grand prize they want to win

on the logbook, or we'll distribute the raffle tickets evenly between the prizes. For more information: www.hubbardlibrary.org, email hubbardyouthroom@gmail.com, or call (413)583-3408 x3.

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center has been gathering food, Cassidy said they are a member of the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts. In addition, a great percentage of the food they distribute has been donated, although donations have dropped drastically.

The survival center also partners with the Cumberland Farms in Ludlow, Wilbraham and Indian Orchard, which offers readymade foods and dairy products.

Volunteer and Ludlow resident Mike Prouox has been responsible for gathering the food from Cumberland Farms as well as Big Y in Ludlow. On Tuesdays, he begins working at 8 a.m., and finishes at 11 a.m. On Thursdays he finishes around 10:00 a.m.

During his pickups, one of the many things Prouox said he admires from Cumberland Farms is the amount of bread he receives from each store.

"I'd say the avergage Cumberland Farms probably donates about 10 rolls per store, per week," said Prouox. "They also donated a lot of sandwiches, hamburgers, and stuff that's already sealed in."

When people come to the center to donate, Cassidy said that volunteers will use a U-boat or carriage, waring masks and gloves, maintain a six-foot distance, and even take the donations straight out a motor vehicle, and hand the donor a tax receipt.

Although food donations have dropped, the Cassidy said that the center also receives monetary donations, which helps pay off the building's expenses, which include utilities, insurances, and more.

She also said thrift shop will be now open on Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. During hours of operation, only four visitors will be allowed in the store for a total of 15 minutes. Staff members will disinfect in between customers.

For more information about the survival center, visit http://communitysurvivalcenter.org/ or call 413-543-3930 during their hours of operation. The center is located at 240 Main St.



The Community Survival Center in Indian Orchard.

Courtesy photo

OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

When feather-nested fledglings fly



By Joan E. B. Coombs

ife in its various forms-- whether human, animal, or bird-- takes time to develop and grow. Whatever the age span, there's a g-r-o-w-t-h process. Amazingly, with each life, the proper nourishment and environment can eventually lead to a successful, mature life.

Not choosing Biology as a major, yet having grown up observing and tending various small-farm animals and birds from birth, helps one to understand the development and the growing-up process. Whether it was watching newborn calves be born, get up, and wobble-walk. Or, when weaned, helping them to drink from a bucket, instead of feeding from Mama Cow. With gentle, patient coaxing, calves eventually learned to sip, slurp and swallow. Or, if it was rescuing a tail-wounded squirrel back to health. (Later "Tippy the Squirrel" celebrated by scale-running up and down the keys of an upright piano sitting against the wall of an enclosed sunporch!) Or, if it was the eager, day-byday watching of a pen of hen's incubated and hatching eggs and the ensuing life-struggle of transparent-skinny baby chicks onto finally seeing their yellow fuzz adorningly and adorably appear.

Zoom to present day observations. By all appearances the "birds-of-a-feather-stick-to-gether" motto is applying to our nearby Barn Swallow parents, now hovering over a few newly hatched eggs right outside our front door. They are in feathered abode, way up in a mud-thatched nest molded over the frame of our front door's entrance light.

Every time we leave our home and come back, perhaps our nearby neighbors wonder about out sidewalk conversations with Mr. and Mrs. Barn Swallow? Whenever walking out, the birds swish by with swoop loops from their nest to landing right on our front lawn's white globe lamp. As they perch together atop the white globe, we intentionally stop and chat.

"Well, good morning! And, how's the family?"

As if listening to our greetings, they tilt their heads as if understanding every word.

So far, they haven't replied in bird-banter. While spindle-leg standing, as each parent starts preening its feathers, we sense their contentment.

Recently however, Mr. Barn Swallow seems edgy. He's overtly protective. His Mrs. is on setting their nest more. As the

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The police officers' prayer

(author unknown)

O Almighty God whose great power and eternal wisdom embrace the universe, watch over all Police Officers. Protect them from harm in the performance of their duty to stop crime, robberies, riots and violence. We pray help them keep our streets and homes safe by day and night. We recommend them to your loving care because their duty is dangerous. Grant them your unending strength and courage in their daily assignments. Dear God protect these brave men and women, grant them your almighty protection, unite them safely with their families after duty ends. Amen.

Courtesy of Sgt. Maggie Lavoie-Fuller, Retired.



GUEST COLUMN

Pinks are top notch fragrance-wise

ho doesn't love the smell of lilacs, roses, peonies or hyacinths? Somewhat more understated than these, but still worthy of acclaim for their wonderful scent are a group of plants known as pinks. Identified by taxonomists as Dianthus, I have been lucky enough to grow five heirloom species of this unique genus.

The first is Sweet William, Dianthus barbatus, a cottage

garden favorite, prized by florists for its tightly clustered, richly scented three-inch flower heads. It is most commonly seen in white, magenta, salmon and pretty bi-colors. Technically a biennial, Sweet William will occasionally return for a third or fourth year of bloom. More often than not, though, this plant puts all of its energy into making flowers, and after it is through and its spent flowers have been removed there is very little left of the plant to overwinter. For the best chance of subsequent seasons, deadhead as soon as possible and fertilize lightly. Only interested in Sweet William as a cut flower? Sow seeds in summer and transplant in the fall for blooms next season.

Clove ink is another favorite. Dianthus carophyllus 'Grenadin' is the cultivar I've grown. The first season it impressed me with its tightly mounded spiky silver leaves, which not at all leggy. This was a mixed-seed packet, so I didn't know what to expect color-wise. To my delight, I had three different shades of pink mini carnation-like blooms. While the flowers were sparse, only a couple of stems per plant, it was their scent that really knocked my socks off. Clove, indeed! I've heard that these aren't reliably hardy in our area; we'll have to see what I'll be left with next spring. One rule of thumb about overwintering clove pink and most silver-leaved plants: they hate wet feet and love alkaline soil. Provide good drainage throughout the year and a dusting of lime each spring. Planting along the edge of a rock garden would be ideal.

Dianthus gratianopolitanus is a mouthful for a plant better known as cheddar pink. The first year from seed is a tease. You'll settle for a few quarter-sized fragrant pink to dark pink blooms. By midJune of year number two, however, the plant will be at least a foot to 15 inches wide by eight inches tall with flowers too



Roberta McQuaid

Columnist

numerous to count. Each individual floret is composed of five flat petals that get a bit deeper in tone near the center and tatter somewhat at the edge. Curly stamens popping up in the middle add to the interest. Although it may be tempting to take hedge shears and lop off all the spent flowers at once, don't do it! Better to cut each stem back to a point of new growth, time consuming as

it may be. Your plant will look better and might even reward you with a few more flowers later in the season.

Pheasant-eye or cottage pink, Dianthus plumarius, is less behaved than its cousins. The silver foliage has a tendency bend and grow in funny, rambling angles, making it a great candidate for draping over the edge of a raised border or rock wall. The flowers are less prolific than cheddar pink but similar in appearance except that they have an even more pronounced, dark eye, hence its name. I've seen them in white, light pink and deep pink, each with a magenta center and the same tattered petals and wonderful scent.

The last pretty pink I'll mention today is Dianthus superbus, fringed or superb pink. It differs from clove, cheddar and pheasant eye in that its foliage is green and less spiky, more grass-like. And while the others top off under a foot, fringed pink grows two feet tall or taller. Because of this, it will require staking: simple "pea brush" is usually enough support. Pink or purple flowers are, you guessed it, deeply fringed, giving them a very delicate appearance that is best admired (and sniffed!) up close. Like the others mentioned here, these are also wonderfully fragrant.

Many of these Dianthus varieties are available by seed through JL Hudson, Seedsman (jlhudsonseeds.net). Plants are easy to grow, best started off the heat in late February.

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justice against African Americans in the Western Massachusetts area. Paskins and Marryshow also co-organized the recent marches in Agawam, Holyoke, and Chi-

"We recognize that everybody has a strength, a purpose and a role in this movement, and we want to bring folks together so that we know who our people are, and then we want to be able to deploy them into areas of the community where racism is most pervasive and dismantle those systems," Paskins. "What we're hoping today is the community of Ludlow would understand that there are issues with race in this community, and it's not about the pointing if the figures, it's about the root of those issues and attacking them head on."

After Simbrit and Marryshow gave volunteers their responsibilities, reiterating the purpose of this parade to the crowd and asking fellow participants to practice some chants to use, such as "no justice, no peace, no racist police" "hands up, don't shoot," and "you can't stop the revolution," the march officially began.

Once in front of the safety complex, a moment of silence was executed to properly honor the African Americans who lost their lives under the custody of police officers. Other speakers, including Longmeadow resident Nadia Hayles and Ludlow resident Alyssa Fialho, also spoke on the issues at hand regarding racism and the need for change.

Fialho, who is also an educator at Central High School, said moving forward, along with changing the education system, more conversations around the topics of racial injustice need to occur

"We must confront this country's past and present, listen to Black voices and engage in informative discussions. Resist the urge to get defensive," said Fialho. "Be willing to change what you thought you knew and change your opinion after learning new information."

Around 1 p.m., the march concluded, and although people made their way back to their vehicles and went on their ways, many said their desire to fight for this cause lives on.

Melaica Delgado, who volunteers at different BLM events in the area, said constant activism for this cause in necessary to secure true equality for the next generation.

"If we don't change the atmosphere



March participants chant "hands up, don't shoot," while making their way to the **Ludlow Safety Complex.**



Ludlow Black Lives Matter march organizers Disha Patel, Mike Marshall, and Mandi Dorval, lead the march to the Ludlow Safety Complex.

now around Black Lives Matter and the importance of people of color, then when we have kids and grandkids, they're going to be fighting for the same thing," said Delgado.

Black Lives Matter March organizer Mandi Dorval spoke on the importance of education one's community on the importance of systematic racism. I: Participant get on one knee, place a fist in the area, and offer a moment of silence to George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Trayvon Martin, Sandra Bland, and other African Americans who lost their lives while in the care of law enforcement.





Ludlow Black Lives Matter march organizer Disha Patel explaining the importance of supporting Black Lives Matter, and calling out the mistreatment of African Americans in the U.S.



413 Stav Woke, Stav Active co-founder **Stephany Marryshow reiterating the** importance of this march to the crowd.



413 Stay Woke, Stay Active co-founder Simbrit Paskins beginning to instruct all participants to make their way to the **Ludlow Safety Complex's front lawn to** properly offer a moment of silence.



Participant get on one knee, place a fist in the area, and offer a moment of silence to George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Trayvon Martin, Sandra Bland, and other African Americans who lost their lives while in the care of law enforcement.



Participants raise sings, to further show their disdain for police brutality and systematic racism.



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STCC food pantry receives gift from Stop & Shop

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. Springfield Technical Community College received another donation from Stop & Shop to support the Ram Cupboard, the emergency food pantry to help students facing food insecurity.

Stop & Shop has made previous donations to the Ram Cupboard. The latest gift of \$1,000 for "summer relief" brings the total to \$13,500.

"We sincerely appreciate the generous support from Stop & Shop," said Denise Hurst, Vice President of Advancement and External Affairs at STCC. "This gift comes to us during challenging times. Many of our students have been struggling financially through the COVID-19 pandemic. This donation will help put food on their tables.'

The STCC Center for Access Services, which administers the Ram Cupboard, will work with students in need, connect them with local support agen-



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cies for immediate assistance and mail them a Stop & Shop gift card for additional support.

In response to the threat posed by COVID-19, STCC this summer and through the fall will offer online courses with a mix of low-density on-campus labs. STCC continues to offer a range of student supports in remote formats, including the Center For Access Services, Academic Advising, Career Development Center, Disability Services, Testing and Assessment, Tutoring and Veterans' Affairs.

Stop & Shop representative Maura O'Brien and Belchertown Store Manager Jasen Hodge recognized the difficulty with food insecurity many students are facing this summer and wanted to help.

"As a show of communi-

ty support, Stop & Shop is going to provide summer relief to the School Food Pantry recipients at STCC in the amount of \$1,000,"O'Brien said. "We know how difficult this time has been for so many, and we're proud to support those in need."

Stop & Shop has offered a school-based food pantry program to help reduce hunger among students in communities served by the company's more than 400 stores in the Northeast.

Stop & Shop works with pre-schools, grade schools and colleges to create a customized program based on the specific needs of the students and the school's infrastructure. The company's goal is to ensure that students have access to food.

STCC students who need help should contact CAS by emailing CAS@stcc.edu.

Interested in applying to STCC? Visit stcc.edu/apply or call Admissions at (413) 755-

About Springfield Technical Community College

Founded in 1967 and located on 35 acres of the Springfield Armory National Historic Site, STCC is a major resource for the economic vitality of Western Massachusetts. As the only technical community college in Massachusetts, STCC offers a variety of career programs unequalled in the state. STCC's highly regarded transfer programs in business, advanced manufacturing, healthcare, liberal arts, and STEM fields continue to provide the most affordable options for students pursuing a four-year degree. With an annual enrollment of about 7,000 day, evening, weekend, and online students, STCC is a vibrant campus rich in diversity.

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HCC student, 18, earns both high school diplomas and associate degree

HOLYOKE - Sage Pasquale took her first class at Holyoke Community College when she was only 14 years old.

That was "Dinosaurs of New England: A Geologic History of the Pioneer Valley," a four-credit environmental science laboratory course taught by Prof. Steven Winters. Sage wound up tagging along with her older sister, River, who was already enrolled and thought she might enjoy it.

River was right.

"I loved that class," says the younger Pasquale. "That was a nice introduction to HCC.'

For Pasquale, a homeschooled student from Holyoke, "Dinosaurs of New England" also served as her introduction to a traditional classroom, a place she found she fit right in. The following semester, she signed up for two more HCC courses, the next semester three, until she was finally a full-time, dual-enrolled high school stu-

"I kind of eased into it," she says. "I had never taken an actual test before coming to HCC, so that was certainly a big change." One that didn't seem to bother

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This spring, HCC is honoring 199 graduating seniors from 31 different high schools who all took classes at the college through its Dual Enrollment Program. Dual Enrollment allows high school students to earn transferable college credits while they work toward their high school diplomas.

According to HCC's Admission's office, these seniors combined for 2,100 college credits, but only one of them earned both a high school diploma and her associate degree at the same

would be Sage Pasquale. Now 18, Pasquale says she didn't realize she would have enough credits to get a degree until December 2019.

"I was really just taking classes because I was interested in them," she said earlier this month. "I kind of had a dream that I would graduate from high school with an associate's degree, but it was never really my

Along the way, she made the Dean's List in each of her final four semesters. "I never really



paid much attention to that," she said. "I was just at HCC to take the classes, learn what I could and do as well as I can.'

She did very well.

As a member of the HCC Class of 2020, Pasquale, a math major, completed her associate degree with a GPA of 3.86, high honors, and two transfer scholarships from the HCC Foundation that she will apply toward her continuing education at Agnes Scott College, a small, all-women's college outside Atlanta,

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where she plans to study physics

"I think it will be an interesting place to go to school," Pasquale said. "It's so different from western Massachusetts. I've grown up my whole life here, and I wanted to experience something different.'

While attending to her studies, Pasquale taught gymnastics at a studio in East Longmeadow and was co-founder of Youth Rides Together, a group of area homeschoolers and young ac-

tivists who work on projects related to contemporary issues like immigration and

climate change.

At HCC, she was founder of the college's first-ever Dual Enrollment Club.

Although U.S. History II was her "absolute favorite class" at HCC, she ultimately gravitated toward math.

"I like all of the rules, and how there's no guesswork involved," she said. "It's really concrete, and there's always a right answer."

Heading into her final semester this spring, Pasquale didn't slack off. Instead, she took Calculus 3, Physics 2, and a six-credit honors colloquium called "Ecosocialism or Ecocide? The Challenges of Environmental Ethics and Politics." All of them fit right in with her interests and career pathway.

"I'm interested in engineering," she said. "Civil engineering or environmental engineering, because I think that will be a really important part of combating climate change."

As COVID-19 restrictions began to ease, Pasquale was hoping to soon be able to start a summer job as a counselor at a gymnastics camp in Burlington, Vermont. Never one to go the traditional route, she planned to hike there, up the Appalachian Trail.



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Matthew Goncalves named to SNHU Dean's List

LUDLOW - Matthew Goncalves of Ludlow has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's (SNHU) Winter 2020 Dean's List. The winter term runs from January to May. Eligibility for the Dean's List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.5-3.699 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

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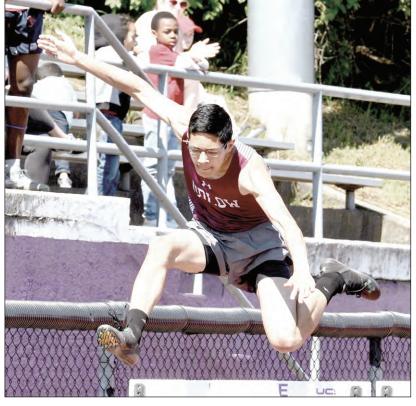
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Ludlow boys track seniors

LUDLOW - The Ludlow High School boys track team was poised for a big season with a large senior class to lead it. The seniors honored by coach Becca Gauvin are: Brian Beem, John Paul Collins, James Elliott, Logan Flagg, Kyle Goncalves, Johnny Jaworski, Chantz Mc-Lean, Peter Mentekidis, Ryan Moylan, Joshua Saloio, Joseph Snopek Ill, Nicholas Street, Nicholas Teixeira, Jacob Vautrain, Anthony Vieira, Jake Wyllie, Jacob Koziol, Jonah Park, Mattingly Provost. She said McLean was among contenders trying to break a 20-year-old shot put record, and he will not have that opportunity.

"I'm sad that they didn't have the chance to wear the uniform this season," Gauvin said. "It is the largest senior class I would have had the opportunity to coach in my 23 years. The coaching staff will miss their work ethic, the fun attitudes they bring to practice and meets, watching them teach the newcomers traditions."





The Ludlow High School boys track team had a huge senior class that was ready to contend for a team title at the Western Mass. level this

TMC postpones MaxPreps use this fall

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

REGION - With COVID-19 completely cancelling out the Spring 2020 season for all high school sports, there has been little opportunity to continue working at integrating new changes set for the upcoming school year and next.

One of those changes has been postponed for the upcoming fall season

In late February, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association's member schools voted to go to a statewide tournament. The majority vote took place Feb. 28 and uprooted a tournament Western Massachusetts was used to having for many years.

Further, the "Walker" system, a ranking system formula utilized in Western Mass. as well as some Central Mass. sports, was scrapped in favor of MaxPreps, a CBS-sponsored website that tracks schedules, rosters, results and playing statistics. MaxPreps also has a proprietary rankings system that would have been utilized to determine playoff seeds for the new state tournament.

have questioned Many whether or not the system was fair, especially considering the diversity of the schools in Western Mass., the main reasons the Walker system was created.

Now, the MIAA's Tournament Management Committee has voted to postpone the use of the MaxPreps ranking system for at least the 2020 fall season. As a result, Western and some Central Mass. sports will utilize the Walker system to rank teams for sectional tournaments. Eastern Mass. schools typically rank by overall record with tiebreakers for similar records.

The MaxPreps site will still be used to input scores for the entire school year and then MaxPreps will be used for all aspects of the tournament as the statewide tournament is set to begin in the 2021-2022 school

There was a movement at the TMC's June 18 online meeting not to use MaxPreps for the entire school year, but that motion was defeated. The body, which had 12 members present, voted unanimously to postpone it for just the fall.

The fall season was not in question when the coronavirus pandemic first started in March. But as the situation developed, upcoming seasons has come into question because of the extended need to control large gatherings, the continued need for masks, and the idea that life cannot truly return to normal until a vaccine is created. That

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Senior athletes features wrapping up

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

The Turley Publications sports department will soon be wrapping up its features on senior spring athletes

If you have not seen your senior or their sport featured, we encouraged you to send photos and info on your son or daughter, and encourage you to contact their coach to speak with us. We have reached out to spring coaches and athletic di-

rectors, but are still trying to collect info on every team that would have been involved in this spring's season.

We hope to also publish action photos of seniors from previous seasons, though parents and coaches are encouraged to send photos of seniors they would like to see published in the upcoming editions of the pa-

All submissions can be made to Sports Editor Gregory A. Scibelli at sports@turley.com. In the subject line, please identify the school and sport you are writing in about. Senior athletes are also encouraged to write in to talk about the season that

NECBL alums drafted by MLB teams

the 2020 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft being shortened to five rounds due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the New England Collegiate Baseball League (NECBL) saw eight of its alumni selected during the two-day event followed by nearly 20 others inking free agent contracts in the days that fol-

The Newport Gulls boasted five of the eight NECBL alumni who had their name called over the course of the draft, including 2019 outfielder Hudson Haskin (Tulane) going 39th overall in the second round. Meanwhile, Jared Schuster (Wake Forest), who played in the New England League in 2018 with the New Bedford Bay Sox, kept the NECBL's strong reputation of first-round selections intact after being picked by the Atlanta Braves with the 25th overall pick; the southpaw is the 29th

earn a first-round draft curtain

In addition to Newport's five draft selections, as well as New Bedford's representation through Schuster, NECBL organizations Upper Valley and Vermont also had one alumnus drafted each, as the Nighthawks saw 2018 right-hander Levi Thomas (Troy) go in the fourth round (109th overall) to the San Diego Padres, while the Mountaineers' 2019 NECBL All-Star, righty Ryan Murphy (Le Moyne), went in the fifth round (144th overall).

At the conclusion of the draft, another 17 NECBL alumni spanning each of the last three seasons signed free agent contracts with a variety of MLB franchises. In total, nine of the league's 13 active organizations from the 2019 campaign had at least one alumnus either drafted or sign as a free agent high-

NORTH ADAMS - Despite all-time NECBL alumnus to lighted by the Gulls' seven such honorees, while Mystic led the way with five free agent sign-

> "Given the circumstances and the adversity that not only our league but each and every summer collegiate baseball league has had to endure this season, we could not be more proud of each and every one of our alumni that were either drafted or signed as free agents after this past weekend," NEC-BL Commissioner Sean Mc-Grath stated. "No doubt will we continue to see more familiar faces do similarly in the days and weeks ahead, but regardless, I am so thrilled for all the young men who have been rewarded for their hard work and dedication not only during their time in the New England League but throughout their collegiate ca-

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T-Birds celebrated growth during 2019-2020 season

SPRINGFIELD – Today, the American Hockey League announced that the Springfield Thunderbirds have been named the league's Ticket Sales Department of the Year and also recognized the franchise for achieving 15% growth in group ticket revenue for the 2019-2020 season.

"We are truly proud to receive this award from the AHL. Ticket sales growth is only possible through the hard work of our sales team and the commitment of our fan base. I want to express my heartfelt thanks to our staff and our community for continuing to support us through this season and beyond," said Nathan Costa, President of the Thunderbirds.

The T-Bird's fourth season saw a continued upward trajectory for the franchise, which is a product of the team's ongoing commitment to fan and community engagement. This year, the T-Birds ranked second in the AHL in year over year growth in both total revenue and total tickets sales. The team placed in the Top 5 in year over year growth across all ticket categories: total sales, full season tickets, group sales,

partial plans, and individual ticket sales.

Since the team's inception in 2016, they have achieved a staggering 87% growth in ticket revenue. This past season, they celebrated a new milestone of over 1,000 full season ticket members, achieved eight sellouts, and averaged 5,262 fans per game. This marked the team's second straight year with over 5,000 average at-

The announcement was made as part of the month-long 2020 AHL Team Business Spring Series. The 2020 AHL Team Business Spring Series, running May 19 through June 19, is a program of online presentations and discussions being hosted by the league's Team Business Services department. Team and league front-office personnel from throughout the American Hockey League meet each offseason to discuss best practices and innovative ideas in several areas, including ticket sales, corporate sales and mar-

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Valley Wheel Baseball tryouts ongoing

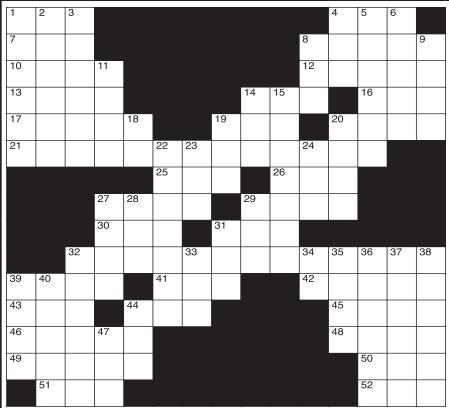
REGION – The Valley Wheel Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for the upcoming 2020 season. The league is seeking players ages 28 and up. Players turning 28 this year are eligible. However, only players 30 and older can pitch. The league plays 15 regular season games with games being held mostly on Sundays with a couple of weekday games thrown in the mix as well as a special Mother's Day Saturday game in early May. However, due to the current circumstances, the league schedule has been pushed back. The league

still plans to play its season once bans on gatherings are lifted. League tryouts are June 28 with a possible additional tryout scheduled. The league is built on comradery, fair play, and having a good time with friends. If interested in trying out, go to www.valleywheelbaseball. com. The rules of the league and new player forms can be found on the site. For further information, you can contact the league's commissioner, Jim Nason at wheel12@comcast.net or call him at (413) 433-4308. New players are still needed for the abbreviated season

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reers, both on the diamond and in the classroom. The best of luck to each of them as they pursue the first chapter of what will hopefully be long professional baseball careers!'

A league-high four players either were drafted or signed by the Baltimore Orioles, while three had their name called by the Seattle Mariners and two apiece went to the San Francisco Giants, Toronto Blue Jays and defending World Series champion Washington Nationals.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Protects from weather
- 4. Superhigh
- frequency 7. Southern
- constellation
- 8. Swines
- 10. Self-righteously
- moralistic person 12. United Arab
- **Emirates city**
- 13. Surinam toad 14. Sign language
- 16. Tattoo (slang)
- 17. Makes level
- 19. Sun up in New York
- 20. It must be scratched
- 21. Where people live 48. Casino game
- 26. Buddy 27. One of two
- 25. Swiss river
- equal parts of a

- divisible whole 29. Shrek is one
- 30. Egyptian unit of weight 31. Fiddler crabs
- 32. Carroll O'Connor's TV
- 39. No longer having life
- 41. Former OSS 42. A way to emit
- sound 43. Mandela's party 44. Adult female
- chicken 45. U. of Miami's
 - mascot
- 46. Southeastern Chinese people
- 49. Amos Alonzo
- US football coach 19. Make a mistake 50. Joint connecting 20. Not moving two pipes at right 22. Even distribution

- angles 51. Will Ferrell film
- 52. River in NE Scotland
- **CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Occur 2. Show up
- 3. Capital of Taiwan 4. Former French coin
- 5. Some are bad 6. Monetary unit 8. Package (abbr.)
- 9. Indian religious person
- 11. Crew 14. Antidiuretic hormone
- 15. Makeshift 18. Baseball box score stat
- 39. Dashes 40. Related on the mother's side 44. Witch
 - 47. Kilogram force (abbr.)

of weight

24. Paddle

28. Alias

23. Clumsy person

27. Worked the soil

29. Plant cultivated

31. Side-blotched

lizards genus

35. Manning and Lilly

36. Put on the shelf

in Peru

32. Wild dog

34. Pound

33. Immoral act

are two

for now

ballplayer

37. Baltimore

38. Cuddle

Quabbin League hoping for mid-July start

REGION – The Quabbin Valley Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for 2020 season. The league has six teams, several with open roster spots. Last year, the league voted to allow players age 28 and 29 to be able to join the league, though players under 30 are not eligible to pitch. The cost of the league this season is \$192. For returning and new players, signups have been placed on hold until a determination has been made on the season go-

ing forward. Sign-ups should resume soon. Based on the governor's re-open plan, the league is aiming for a start to the season in mid-July with a modified schedule. Games are nine innings and metal (BBCOR -3) or wood bats are allowed. Fields locations are throughout Western Mass. For more information on the league, or if you are interested in registering, go to https://www. quabbinvalleybaseball.org/. The league is also in Facebook.

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could take until sometime next year.

The use of MaxPreps as a unifying system is reliant on the coaches and athletic directors making sure scores and statistics are entered into the website in a timely manner.

There are still multiple steps to go before a full 32-team (in most cases) state tournament is implemented. The PVIAC is also still looking to develop an alternative to the departing Western Mass. tournament. The hope is when meetings are able to resume on a more regular basis, those discussions will be able to continue in a productive manner.

Schedules have been set by athletic directors for the fall season, however, it remains to be seen what guidance the state will issue as it relates to athletic contests. It also remains to be seen how high school athletics will adjust to state guidance on classroom time, which may be partially remote this fall.

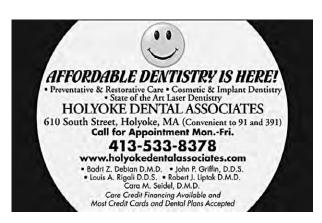
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hatching arrival approaches, the pair still takes daytime flights for insect food, and each takes turns with keeping the nested eggs warm.

Protective environments, with all the necessary components for healthy growth--shelter, food and nurturing-happen during times of incubation. Often it seems that a reoccurring similarity or our new-normal reality applies to what we all are experiencing with COVID-19's current safety admonitions of: "Sheltering in place," "Wearing masks to safeguard yourself and others," and to "Keep practicing safe-distancing."

As the 2020 summer days progress, the Barn Swallow nestlings will stir, their parents will tend to their needs, and within about three days after hatching their eyes will open and see a new world.

Recent school and college graduates likewise appear to have a reoccurring comparison. The nests that nurtured them have been preparing each one to see the world, with the abiding support and guidance of those who have cherished, raised, taught and trained them. And, we'll all be cheering them on-- with encouraging words and conversations-- when the feather-nested fledglings fly.



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Bottum, Julia T. Died June 10, 2020 Kapinos Mazur Funeral Home

Nowak, Peter P. Died June 20, 2020 Funeral Mass June 26, 2020 Christ the King Church

Teel, Edward J. Died June 16, 2020 Funeral services will be private Nowak Funeral Home

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Julia T. Bottum, 37

LUDLOW – Julia T. Bottum, 37, of Ludlow, passed away on Wednesday, June, 10, 2020. Julia was born in Ludlow on September 8, 1982 and was a graduate of Ludlow High School.

She is survived by her father and step-mother James and Barbara Bottum and her daughter Emily Beyer, as well as several aunt, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Sadly, she was predeceased by her mother Donna Bottum, her brother Joseph Bottum and her grandmother Pauline Luzscz.

Donations in Julia's memory may be made to Shriner's Hospital for Children, 516 Carew St., Springfield, MA 01104.Kapinos-Mazur Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Edward J. "Poppy" Teel, 93

LUDLOW _ Ed-"Poppy" J. ward Teel, 93, of Ludlow, died Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at Sixteen Acres Health Care Center in Springfield. Born in Amherst on May 1, 1927, he was the son the late Edward Teel and Nora

(Rendowski) Teel. Eddie was a U. S. Navy veteran of WW II. He worked as a machine repairman for Package Machinery until he retired in 1989. Eddie was a past member of the Ludlow



Elks. He is survived by his daughter, Catherine Odell and her husband William of Springfield, and a granddaughter, Angela Rose Odell. Eddie was predeceased by his wife, Roselma C. (Gailey) Teel, a brother, Frank Teel and a sister Helen Lopes.

Funeral Services for Eddie will be held privately by his family. For additional information and online condolences, please visit www.nowakfuneral.

Peter P. Nowak, 89



LUDLOW - Peter P. Nowak, 89, of Ludlow, passed away on Saturday, June 20 2020. The youngest of the 8 children of the late Frank and Anna (Przybycien) Nowak, he was born in Ludlow on August 3, 1930. Peter was a 1949 grad-

uate of Cathedral High School. Peter served his country as a Corporal in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He spent 9 months with the Army's Criminal Investigation Division with top secret clearances. As a photographer, he was transferred to the Signal Corps Engineering Labs to serve on the new equipment team. He traveled world wide demonstrating new equipment. He also participated in the Monte Carlo maneuvers in Germany. Peter was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and a Presidential Citation

Upon discharge, Peter attended Eastern School of Photography in Boston. Upon graduation he worked at the Joseph Jay Studios, where he was assigned to take official portraits of CT. Governor Abraham Ribicoff. He then worked as Litho Supervisor for the former Diamond Match Co for 28 years, until its closing. Peter loved antiques and opened Tri Towne Collectables in Indian Orchard. He operated Tri Towne for 20 years. The shop was noted for its clock and Hummel collections and was named best antique shop in the Springfield area. Peter continued to be active as an area photographer working with the Ludlow Police Dept, Ludlow Register and Springfield newspapers.

An avid golfer, Peter was a member of Elmcrest Country Club for many years. He also

enjoyed his annual trips to Myrtle Beach with friends. He loved all sports and was an avid Red Sox fan. He loved collecting, playing bingo and music. He was an active member of the Polish American Veterans Club for over 50 years and the

Polish American Citizen's Club in Ludlow. A devout communicant of Christ the King Church, he was a member of the Parish's Men's Guild. Peter's friendly, outgoing personality was infectious. He made friends with everyone he met and enjoyed time spent with friends and family.

Peter is survived by several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Genevieve Gadziala Serwatka and his brothers Walter, Anthony, Paul, Victor and Joseph Nowak.

Peter's family would like to thank the staff at the Holyoke Soldiers' Home and Holyoke Medical Center for their dedicated service.

Family and friends are invited to attend a funeral Mass for Peter, with Military Honors on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 10:00 AM in Christ the King Church, Warsaw Avenue, Ludlow, MA. Private burial will be in the Massachusetts Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, Agawam, MA. In lieu of flowers donations in Peter's memory may be made to Christ

the King Church, Warsaw Ave., 41 Ludlow, MA 01056, Parish use only. Kapinos-Mazur Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. For more information please go to www. kapinosmazurfh.

Reopening Massachusetts

Baker-Polito Administration initiates transition to Step Two of second phase of four-phase approach

BOSTON - The Baker-Polito Administration announced that Step Two of Phase II of the Commonwealth's four-phase reopening plan, Reopening Massachusetts, began on June 22nd to allow additional industries to resume operations under sector-specific guidelines.

Businesses and sectors set to begin operating in Step Two of Phase II are subject to compliance with all mandatory safety standards.

On May 18, the Administration released a four-phased plan to reopen the economy based on public health data, spending at least three weeks in each phase. Key public health data, such as new cases and hospitalizations, has been closely monitored and seen a significant decline allowing for Step Two of Phase II to begin on June 22.

The following are eligible to reopen in Step Two of Phase II as of Monday, June 22:

table service at Indoor restaurants;

Close-contact personal services, with restrictions;

Retail dressing rooms, by appointment only;

Offices, at 50 percent capac-

Full list and safety protocols available at www.mass.gov/reopening.

In order to give Step Two businesses time to prepare, the Administration had previously released sector-specific guidance in advance of Phase II for industries including restaurants, close-contact personal services and sectors not otherwise addressed:

Guidance for Restaurants

Guidance for Close-Contact Personal Services

Guidance for Other Industries

Guidance for Sectors Not Otherwise Addressed

Before these sectors can resume operations under the guidelines, businesses must meet all safety standards, create a COVID-19 control plan, and complete a self-certifica-

Monson Savings Bank to open new branch in East Longmeadow

MONSON - Monson Savings Bank is pleased to announce the expansion of its branch network into East Longmeadow. This new office will be located at 61 North Main Street in East Longmeadow. The ban has a tentative planned opening for late summer.

As a full-service branch, Monson Savings Bank offers an extensive array of consumer and commercial products, traditional banking products, wealth management products and several robust, digital solutions that have grown so important in today's

Opening a full-service branch in East Longmeadow is a significant milestone for the bank, which has developed and is proud of the solid customer base in Hampden and Hampshire County. As the bank welcomes new customers, this branch will also provide an added convenience for many of its existing customers.

It has been the Monson Savings Bank's goal for some time to further expand the markets it serves. As part of the strategic planning process and growth philosophy, the company makes an effort to seek out prime locations and identify and hire outstanding employees.

"We are thrilled to be expanding our footprint into the vibrant community of East Longmeadow," said Steve Lowell, President and CEO of Monson Savings Bank. "We look forward to helping and serving the people and businesses of East Longmeadow and neighboring towns."

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THE MICHAEL J. DIAS FOUNDATION sponsors a support group for families and friends whose loved one is affected by an alcohol/substance use disorder. The group meets every Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at Healthsouth, 222 State St., Ludlow. All are welcome! If you have any questions, call Maureen at 413-563-6226.

LUDLOW SENIOR CENTER 55 AND OVER VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE will be held at East Street School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5-8 p.m. The cost to take part is \$20 per year. For more information contact the Senior Center Activities Director at Activity@ludlow.ma.us or 413-583-3564 ext. 1310.

WESTERN MASS RELICS SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE. Slow pitch with two divisions (50-plus and 65-plus). All games played at the Ludlow Fish & Game Club from May to Labor Day. Registration forms and information available at www.wmass-relics.com.

QUABBIN VALLEY TWIRLERS If you missed the first lessons in the fall, now is the time to give yourself a gift of dancing enjoyment for the coming holiday time. Do you want some exercise, mental acuity, and lots of fun with great people? Try our national folk dance, square dancing with the Quabbin Valley Twirlers. They dance in Belchertown and Ludlow with Sunday and Wednesday evenings available. For more information, call Gloria or Fran at 413-467-3352.

BIBLE STUDY: A weekly Bible study led by Ludlow resident Hank Bastos takes place Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at 343 Winsor St., Ludlow. Call 348-6487 for more information. SHARE YOUR SIGHT. Volunteer to read, shop or walk with a blind or vision impaired person in your community. Call the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired at 1-888-613-2777 for details.

EVENTS

Editor's note: As towns, schools and clubs continue to assess the threat posed by coronavirus, many are making the decision to cancel or postpone their public events, often with little notice

The Register will inform readers about cancellations when known and when the newspaper's weekly deadline will permit, but readers should be aware of the possibility that events featured in the printed newspaper, including those previewed in stories, briefs and on the calendar page, may be canceled without enough notice to print an update. The Register encourages readers to contact event coordinators and organizers to confirm that it is still taking place before attending.

TRIPS

The Polish American Veterans of Wilbraham are planning the following trips in 2020.

DOLLY & KENNY at The Stadium Theater, Woonsocket, Rhode Island on Thursday, Sept. 24. Bringing back Dave & Karen for a second show. Sold out the first show. Package includes motor coach transportation, chicken dinner at Wrights Chicken Restaurant. natinee tribute show with Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers, meal taxes and gratuities. Karen Hester is Dolly Parton and David Karl is Kenny Rogers. Cost is \$92 per person. Final payment due Aug. 28. Bus departs 10 a.m. from PAV, 1124 Berkshire Ave., Indian Orchard.

"GHOST OF A CHANCE" at The Newport Playhouse & Cabaret in Rhode Island. A Victorian-era tragedy is re-enacted in a supposedly haunted house. Package includes roundtrip motor coach, buffet luncheon, Playhouse Comedy Show, a Cabaret Show (two shows), meal taxes and gratuities. Buffet menu includes lettuce bowl, potato salad, beets and onion salad, three-bean salad, bbq ribs, sausage and peppers, roasted chicken, baked ham, baked beans, sweet potatoes, assorted desserts, coffee and tea. Cost \$102 per person and payment is due Sept. 21. Bus departs 8:30 a.m. from PAV, 1124 Berkshire Ave., Indian Orchard.

For more information on any of the above trips or to reserve a seat call Rich Gosciminski at 413-583-4610. Make checks payable to Polish American Veterans. Mail to Rich Gosciminski, 149 Center St., Apt. #1, Ludlow, MA, 01056. All trips depart from P.A.V, 1124 Berkshire Ave., Indian Orchard, MA.

9 TO 5 MUSICAL The Catholic Woman's Club of the Diocese of Springfield invites area residents to join the club for a bus trip to see "9 to 5 The Musical" by Dolly Parton, at the Westchester-Broadway Theatre in Elmsford, N.Y., on Wednesday, Sept. 9. The bus leaves the Big Y parking lot in Ludlow at 7:30 a.m. and. returns about 7:30 p.m. Attendees can choose their lunch entree off the menu. Tickets are \$100 and seating is assigned as checks are received. The deadline for payment is June 20. Call Ruth at 413-531-3506 for more information.

SAN ANTONIO HOLIDAY - Dec. 3-7, 2020

Four days at Westin Hotel on the city's Riverwalk, illuminated for the holidays. Also, city tour, river cruise, Mexican Marketplace, Alamo, Mission San José, LBJ Ranch, German community of Fredericksburg decorated for Christmas, Museum of the Pacific War and more. \$2,149 pp doubles includes air, taxes, luggage handling, and transportation to/from Bradley Airport. Contact Jim Martin at 413-583-6339 or jamesImartin47@gmail.com.

POLANIE CLUB TRIPS

For information and reservations on any of the following trips. please call Loretta @ 413-592-7350, Stacy @ 413-593-1172, or Dianne @ 413-214-3822.

Trips depart from Szot Park, Chicopee and Stop & Shop, West Springfield. Make payments to LORETTA GOYETTE 582 E. Main St. Chicopee, MA 01020

Please note: The upcoming Cruising Gloucester Harbor and Edwards Twins trips have been canceled.

UNCHAINED MELODY: Tuesday, September 22, 2020. starring Jimmy Russo &

The Chords, dynamic entertainment at The Grand Oak Villa, Oakville, CT. Family style meal with chicken parmesan, roast pork, pasta with homemade sauce, potato, vegetable, dessert, soda & coffee. Carafes of red & white wine on every table. Cost: \$93 pp. \$25 deposit due with reservation. Final payment due August 14, 2020.

A BOB HOPE USO STYLE TRIBUTE: Thursday, November 12, 2020, featuring Bill Johnson and Holly Faris. at The Grand Oak Villa, Oakville, CT. A tribute to America's Veterans. Family style meal: salad, pasta, roast turkey with gravy and sliced toast beef with gravy, roasted potato, vegetable, dessert, soda & coffee. Carafes of Red and white wine on every table. Cost \$ 94 pp. \$ 25 deposit due with reservation. Final payment due October 2, 2020.

FEMA cancels 2020 Integrated Public Alert & Warning System national tes

WASHINGTON - Due to the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency response, FEMA will not conduct a national test of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) this year

FEMA is moving the next national test of the system to 2021 out of consideration for the unusual circumstances and working conditions for those in the broadcast and cable industry. Although systems remain in place for rapid automatic transmission of the test message by broadcast and cable operators, the follow-on reporting activities associated with a national test place additional burdens on technical staff that are already quite busy maintaining as close to normal operation as possible.

IPAWS is a national system for local alerting that provides authenticated emergency alert and information messaging to the public through cell phones and internet applications using Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA), and to radio and television via the Emergency Alert System (EAS). Emergency officials across the country sent more than 360 important safety messages on the COVID-19 pandemic to their residents via WEA and EAS.

FEMA is required by law to test IPAWS at least every three years. The national WEA capability was most recently tested in conjunction with the EAS in 2018.

NEWS & FEATURES

As a paper of record, we attempt to cover all general news, personality profiles, and community features that we know about. This includes all selectmen and school committee meetings as well as spot planning board, board of health, finance, and other town meetings determined by the issue's relevance to our readers. There are the annual major community event features that we should always cover, but we are more than open to suggestions of other features to celebrate the fabric of our communities and their many interesting occupants. Our loyal advertisers provide funding for this paid staff coverage.

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Friday, June 26, 2020 – Daily Mass – 7:30 am - (C)
Saturday, June 27, 2020 – Confessions – 2:00pm –
(JR), Mass – 4:00pm – (C)

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Girls on the Run Western MA unveils Power Up Activity Kit

active and healthy this summer

Girls on the Run Western MA on June 19th unveiled the Power Up Activity Kit to help keep Western Mass. girls active and healthy through the summer while inspiring creativity, encouraging movement, and teaching new skills. Girls on the Run WMA is a leader in developing and delivering life-changing programs for girls through more than 75 sites across the Western Mass. area and has served more than 5400 girls since it was founded in 2015.

After the cancelation of schools, implementation of social distancing, and the restrictions around large public events due to the coronavirus pandemic, the 5 year old nonprofit adapted quickly to alter its spring season to continue to deliver on its mission to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident. This new offering by the nonprofit organization also delivers on that mission.

"Providing girls with opportunities to develop empathy, build resiliency, and identify and understand their values, choices, and emotions, are important now more than ever before," said Alison Berman, Council Director of Girls on the Run Western MA. "It is never too early for girls to learn how to put these import-

ant skills into practice. This kit will help girls move, laugh and grow, and in the process find their inner girl power."

The at-home kit includes 50 activities to fuel girls' mind, body and spirit that emphasize the important connection between physical and emotional health. Each activity helps girls learn important skills such as how to cope when things get difficult, demonstrate care for self and others, and practice positivity. From the silly starters to the fun movement games and challenges, the activities were designed to get girls to laugh, create, and

Available starting June 19 at www. girlsontherunwesternma.org the kit is \$49 and includes: The Power Up Activity Book, an exclusive GRL PWR t-shirt, Physical Activity Training Plan, Completion Certificate, and a few other fun surprises, delivered directly to her doorstep.

The nonprofit organization is also raising funds to provide sponsored kits to girls within the community, visit their website to make a donation.

Added Berman, "For 5 years we have always done everything we can to support all girls as they navigate adolescence. This kit will help her grow her confidence and realize the potential she has to Power Up."

About Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run Western MA serves all four Western MA counties. They just completed their 5 year and served over 5400 girls in over 75 different sites.

Girls on the Run International designs programming that strengthens third- to eighth-grade girls' social, emotional, physical, and behavioral skills to successfully navigate life experiences. Each year, more than 200,000 girls ages eight to 13 participate in 210+

communities in 50 states and Washington DC. More than 2 million girls have participated in the program since it launched in 1996. The curriculum reaches girls at a critical stage, strengthening their confidence at a time when society begins to tell them they can't. Underscoring the important connection between physical and emotional health, the program addresses the whole girl when she needs it the most. Results show GOTRI programs inspire and empower girls to build healthy physical

and mental habits that last long beyond the program. According to a longitudinal study conducted by The University of Minnesota, 97% of Girls on the Run participants said they learn critical life skills including resolving conflict, helping others or making intentional decisions; and 94% of parents reported it was a valuable experience for their girl. To learn more about this international non-profit, visit www.girlsontherunwesternma.org.

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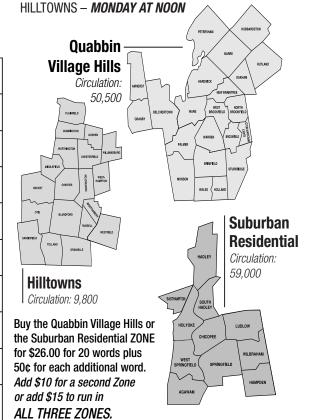
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LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT ESTATE LOT

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DCR announces start of waterfront services across the state

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Parking lots, people entering the beach, or other factors

should be managed, if necessary, to limit beach capacity to accommodate adequate social distancing based on an assessment by the beach manager;

Beach visitors are required to maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet or more at all times and visitors should maintain at least 12 feet minimum distance between toweling/ beach blanket areas; and,

No-contact ball games such as catch, kadima, Kan Jam and bocce can be allowed provided that social distancing can be maintained, and group size guidelines followed.

beaches include regularly scheduled water quality tests, ropes and buoys in place, and the start of staffing lifeguards at many swimming locations. A complete list of locations with waterfront services can be reviewed on the agency's website. Furthermore, when visiting state beaches and other state park properties, DCR asks the public to adhere to the following guidance:

Minimize outdoor recreational time to limit potential exposure to COVID-19;

Stay within solitary or small groups, and avoid gatherings of

ten or more people:

Wear a face mask or facial covering when social distancing cannot be practiced;

Administer healthy personal hygiene, such as handwashing for at least 20 seconds;

Participate in only non-contact recreational activities;

Leave a park or facility if large gatherings begin to build;

Stay home if ill, over 70, and/or part of a vulnerable population.

Recently, the department opened spray decks, playgrounds, and fitness areas for the public.

DCR has also opened Ponkapoag Golf Course in the Town of Canton and Leo J. Martin Memorial Golf Course in the Town of Weston. In an effort to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus, DCR-managed golf courses have several new measures in place aiding users with social distancing. Additionally, to inform visitors of COVID-19 impacts on the state parks system, DCR created a Massachusetts State Parks COVID-19 Updates webpage. Prior to visiting a state parks property, members of the public should review the contents of the

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Dentistry in the Age of COVID

ow our lives have changed in the last 100 days! Our country has been rocked by a novel respiratory pathogen called COVID-19. Our doctors, nurses, and health-care providers have been on the front lines fighting an epic battle against this oncein-a-century threat. Those of us not on the front lines have been largely quarantined at home. Slowly, as we learn more about the virus, our country will gain more control over the situation, our health care system and our patients will adapt. When the country does re-open, going to your local medical provider will look a little different. Dentistry is not immune to these changes. Fortunately, dentistry has been at the forefront of sterilization and infection control since the AIDS epidemic of the early 1980's.

Dentistry has always engaged, and will always engage, in the strictest infection control processes. Most of dentistry's disinfection protocols have been focused on blood-borne pathogens. All surfaces are sprayed, wiped, and decontaminated after every patient encounter. All procedural instruments are sterilized or disposed. There are numerous barriers throughout the treatment area. Every dental clinician, whether dentist, assistant, or hygienist, wears masks, gloves, and eyewear during procedures. Every dental team member goes through extensive yearly trainings.

The dental team, already highly trained, is poised to rise to another level of sterility, but this time focused on airborne pathogens. Sophisticated air cleaners and HEPA filters are making their way into the dental office. N95 respirator masks, the ones seen on the evening

news, will become commonplace. Computer technology, which has already revolutionized medicine and dentistry, will provide more patient security in the form of paperless charts and contactless payment systems. Social distancing, already commonplace in the grocery store and hardware store, will be the norm in all dental offices.

Unfortunately, just like HIV, COVID will be a virus that our society must learn to live with. Whether we wait until tomorrow, next week, or next month to resume our lives, the virus will still be there. As much as we would all like to drop off our teeth for cleaning, and then pick them up later, that is not the world we live in. Over the past eight weeks, our office has been seeing patients for emergency treatment. Now, more than ever, the doctor-patient relationship is built on trust and mutual understanding. To date, there has not been a single documented case of COVID transmission in the dental office, whether from patient to provider, or from facility to patient. As we speak, dental offices are re-opening for routine care in France and Italy. The process of providing dental care in those countries is a little different now, but it is safe delivery of care, and they are not experiencing any complications. Each dental team member has patient wellbeing and safety as the top priority. The facility and the process may look different from past months, and it may be more difficult to see your friendly hygienist's smile under the mask, but the dental team is here to serve you!

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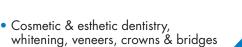
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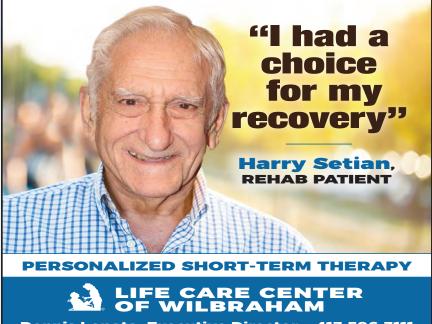


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